# MONTANA STATE LIBRARY

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**State Law Library** 

Justice Building, 215 North Sanders Call: (406) 444-3660

> Fax: (406)444-3603 Web site: http://161.7.121.6/



The State Law Library has a collection of over 135,000 legal and law related items: books, microform, CDs and tapes. The Library's holdings include statutes and court cases for all 50 states and the federal government, as well as federal regulatory and administrative materials. Legal periodicals, all states' bar journals, loose leaf services, treatises, legal form books, and other materials that aid in the composition, application, practice; and interpretation of law are available. It is a full depository for all State Justice Institute reports and a selective depository for U.S. government publications.

The Law Library's Montana legal collection includes legislative bills, minutes, interim committee reports. Montana Supreme Court opinions and briefs, territorial and state codes, sessions laws, administrative rules. Constitutional convention proceedings and reports, Attorney General's opinions, and publications of the State Bar of Montana are also available.

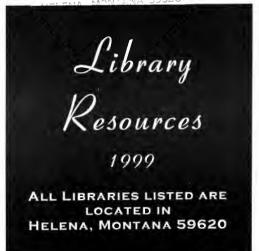
The Law Library is open to the public from 8 a. m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturdays. Most materials may be checked out and legislative staffs may establish photocopy accounts. There are several legal reference librarians available to assist you with research in print and electronic formats, as well as provide instruction in legal research methods, online database and Internet searching, and classes in legislative process and intent.

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Libraries in Montana state government offer a wealth of resources to assist research noted, each library is open during regular business hours, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday the noon hour. As required by Title 22, chapter 1, part 11, MCA, library records are concemphasize this when making a research request. The following summaries give



1515 E Sixth Ave Call: (406)4443004 Website: http://msl.state.mt.us/ http://nris.state.mt.us/

The Statewide Library Resources (SLR) section provides strong general reference collections, a depository of all state publications, and a partial depository of federal publications. Six state and four national daily newspapers are received. SLR also provides consulting services and assists with the improvement of library services statewide.

The Montana Talking Book Library provides free library service to all Montana citizens who are blind, visually impaired, physically handicapped, or learning disabled as a result of organic dysfunction. This portion of the library is affiliated with the Library of Congress' National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

The Natural Resource Information System (NRIS), provides comprehensive access to information about Montana's natural resources to all Montanans through the acquisition, storage, retrieval, and dissemination of that information in meaningful form. The three components of NRIS are: the Water Information System provides information on topics such as water quality, groundwater, surface water, water rights, climate data, and more; the Geographic Information System provides map data and technical assistance for the growing number of users of computerized mapping programs; the Natural Heritage Program focuses on biodiversity information, plants, animals and natural communities emphasizing those that are rare, threatened or endangered.

### **Department of Commerce**

Census & Economic Information Center 1424 Ninth Avenue Call: (406)444-2896

Website: http://commerce.state.mt.us/ceic



The Census and Economic Information Center (CEIC), the official source of census data for Montana, maintains a collection documents and computer-

retrievable files that address the economy and population of the state (historical as well as current), including special papers and annual, quarterly and monthly statistical reports from federal agencies and other Montana state agencies.

CEIC is lead agency for Montana in the U.S. Bureau of the Census State Data Center and Business/Industry Data Center programs and is a member of the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis User Group. CEIC is the state agency designated to provide user access to machine-readable data from the Census Bureau and to receive, reproduce, and distribute maps produced by the Bureau. CEIC provides assistance in the selection and application of appropriate data series as well as referral to other resources as needed.

Compiled by CEIC, the Montana County Statistical Reports are a collection of demographic and socioeconomic data for the state of Montana and each of its 56 counties. Clients have access to statistics encompassing ten broad subject categories for each county and for the state. The Reports are updated on a regular basis as more recent statistics become available. Source materials for the Reports are also available.

in investigating the complex issues that confront Montana citizens. Unless otherwise ugh Friday, and is closed on holidays. Full library services may not be available during dential. However, if maintaining the confidentiality is important, it is a good idea to overview of the material available at and the subject strengths of each library.

# Department of Environmental Quality

Planning Division Library 1520 East Sixth Ave. 406-444-6763

The Planning Division Library contains two principal collections: 1] Energy; and 2] Integrated Solid Waste Management. The Energy collection contains reference materials on energy policy and planning; statistics on electric power, coal, oil, and gas; energy conservation; renewable energy, including biomass, geothermal, solar energy, and wind energy; and materials on transpor-

The Integrated Solid Waste Management collection contains reference materials on source reduction, reuse, recycling, and composting. For each topic, it includes material on policy and planning, legislation, regulation, and programs.

tation and agricultural energy.

Contact Nancy McLane, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Monday through Friday at 406-444-6763.

## Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks

Fisheries Division Library 1420 East Sixth Ave. — Call: 406-444-3175 Website: http://www.fwp.state.mt.us/



The Fisheries Division Library is located in the FWP Building at 1420 E. Sixth Ave.

The Library consists of reports by FWP biologists on Montana's 22 major drainages

and on specific subjects such as fish species. The Library also houses management plans, in-stream flow publications, archives, publications by other agencies on the 22 drainages, journals and serials, Dingell-Johnson reports, and a thesis collection. The Fisheries Library also offers access to reference materials relating to water resources, habitat protection, and various other subjects.

### **Historical Society**

Library and Archives Veteran's Memorial Building Call: 406-444-2681 Library 406-444-4775 Archives 406-444-4739 Photo Archives



The Historical Society holds the nation's premiere collection of Montanarelated historical materials including books, manu-

scripts, state records, photographs, and histories, maps, posters, newspapers, city directories, and paper ephemera. Materials do not circulate, but may be used at the Society. The public reference room where these materials may be consulted, is on the second floor.

The Photograph Archives has a separate public reference room on the third floor, at the rear of the building. The Photograph Archives is open to visitors from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, although special appointments may be requested if morning use is necessary. For information about Museum exhibits and tours, call the Society Education Office at 444-4789 or the main office at 444-2694. The Library is also open the first Saturday of the month 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### Legislative Library

Room 102, State Catitol Building Call: (406) 444-3064

Website: http://state.mt.us/leg/branch/branch.htm Hours vary during Legislative session



The Legislative Library provides reference and research assistance and interlibrary loan services to legislators and Legislative staff. The collection focuses on issues of current concern to the Montana legislature,

including such topics as economic development, education finance, health care policy, gambling, privatization, property tax sales tax, state employee compensation, state finances, and workers' compensation.

The Library also offers access to Montana legislative materials such as House and Senate Journals, Session Laws and committee minutes. Materials published by the Montana Legislative Services Division along with interim committee work papers, are cataloged and archived. Publications from the National Conference of State Legislatures and from legislative agencies in other states form a major part of the collection.

# Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Library

48 N Last Chance Gulch Call: 406-444-6637



The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation's library collections consist of a Water Library located in the Water Resources Division and also an Ar-

chives Collection of Department publications housed in the Publications Bureau, an Engineering Collection in the Engineering Bureau, and a Geology Collection in the Water Management Bureau.

The Water Library consists of reference material relating to water policy, legislation, and regulation; water resources management and use; and river basin management.

For information or assistance, contact the Water Resources Division, at 444-6601. Kim Johnson, Monday through Friday.

# Office of Public Instruction Resource Center

1300 Eleventh Avenue Call: 406-444-2082



The Library's primary mission is to fulfill the information needs of the Office of Public Instruction's staff. Therefore, its emphasis is on K-12 education. The Library subscribes to numerous journals and holds the U.S. Educational Research Information

Clearinghouse (ERIC) collection on microfiche. Indexing to ERIC documents is also available to users on CD-ROM.

### **Department of Transportation**

Research Library 2701 Prospect Avenue Call: 406-444-6125



The Department of Transportation maintains a collection of transportation research documents. The collection in-

cludes various journals, American Society for Testing and Materials standards (ASTM), and documents, videos, and CD-ROMs from the Transportation Research Board (TRB), National Cooperative Highway Research Transportation (DOT), other federal agencies, state department's of transportation, and public and private organizations.

